

Gary Lear/DC/USEPA/US
01/07/2013 04:18 PM

To "John Blair"
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Subject Re: FW: EPA exceptional event ruling

John, Thanks -- this was very helpful in getting some of the background on the exceptional event concurrence, especially the comments of the Kansas Sierra Club. I assume they would be very concerned about shutting down ozone monitors that have documented exceedances.

Best regards,

Gary

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"John Blair" Gary, I just received this email today. It... 01/04/2013 12:51:45 PM

From: "John Blair" <jblair@ksu.edu>
To: Gary Lear/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 01/04/2013 12:51 PM
Subject: FW: EPA exceptional event ruling

Gary,

I just received this email today. It seems very relevant to our discussion yesterday regarding ozone levels recorded at the Konza Prairie site. Given the concurrent exceedances in Wichita and Kansas City in April 2011, it seems most likely that this was a regional phenomenon and not due to local burning near the Konza site. In addition, when I looked at 8-hour ozone levels from the Konza site, the highest levels recorded were generally in the summer, and were not related to times when local burning takes place (we have a detailed record of burning on the Konza site). Thought this info might be useful if you have additional contacts from Region 7 or KDHE personnel.

Sincerely,

John Blair

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Last week the EPA made its final ruling on KDHE's request for an exceptional event flag for the air quality standard exceedances in April 2011. A KDHE press release is attached to this email.

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